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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y

PART II: PARAGRAPH I OF THE TEXT OF PROPOSED NOTE SHOULD
READ:

THE EMBASSY HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE FCO
LETTER OF MAY --, 1973, ADVISING THAT HMG HAS NO OBJECTION
TO THE INSTALLATION OF PASSIVE RADAR REFLECTORS ON SYDNEY
AND GARDNER ISLANDS, AND REQUESTING ASSURANCE THAT THE
REFLECTOR ON GARDNER DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A NAVIGATION
HAZARD IN THE WEST ENTRANCE CHANNEL. THE USG CONSIDERS
THAT THE PORTION OF THE LETTER STATING THAT HMG HAS NO
OBJECTION TO THE INSTALLATION OF THE REFLECTORS ON THE
TWO AFOREMENTIONED ISLANDS INDICATES A MISUNDERSTANDING
OF THE INTENT OF THE USG. U.S. NOTIFICATION WAS FOR
INFORMATION ONLY AND SHOULD NOT BE CONSTRUED AS A REQUEST
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FOR APPROVAL. IN THIS CONNECTION, IT SHOULD BE POINTED

OUT THAT THE RIGHT OF THE U.S. TO USE FREELY THE
PHOENIX ISLANDS STEMS FROM ITS CLAIMS TO SOVEREIGNTY OVER

THESE ISLANDS. FURTHERMORE, THE RIGHT OF THE USG TO
CONDUCT ACTIVITIES, SUCH AS INSTALLATION AND OPERATION
OF RADAR REFLECTORS ON SYDNEY AND GARDNER ISLANDS
IS SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED IN THE 1970 AD HOC COMMITTEE
REPORT, APPROVED BY THE TWO GOVERNMENTS IN 1971 AND
IN EXCHANGE OF NOTES RECORDING PAYMENT TO THE UK OF
240,000 DOLS PURSUANT TO THE 1970 AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORT.
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